

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H. 3803**

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TO: The Honorable Robert Harrell, Chairperson, House Ways and Means Committee
FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board
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SUBJECT: Prescription Monitoring Act

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost of Federal and/or Other Funds (See Below)

FIRST YEAR GENERAL FUNDS: \$0

FIRST YEAR FEDERAL AND/OR OTHER FUNDS: \$395,345

ANNUAL TOTAL THEREAFTER: \$395,345

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 3803 amends Chapter 53, Title 44 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Article 15 which requires the Department of Health & Environmental Control to establish and maintain a program to monitor the prescribing and dispensing of controlled substances and other drugs that demonstrate a potential for abuse.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Health & Environmental Control

The Department plans to use one-time federal grant funds, unexpended asset forfeiture funds and revenue from annual fees generated by the drug control program to pay the cost of operating this program. The Department's Bureau of Drug Control estimates that operating costs for a full year would be \$395,345 (\$174,200 in Personal Services for 3.00 FTEs and \$221,145 in operating expenses). There is no cost to the General Fund of the State.

The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation

The Department reports that this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund of the State, or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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